

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO ITALY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN SEPT. 12 AND SEPT. 16, 2012

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Robert F. Reeves	9/12	9/16	Italy		592.00		1,942.50			462.96	2,534.50
Kirsten Gullickson	9/12	9/16	Italy		592.00		1,942.50			462.96	2,534.50
Committee total											5,069.00

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

MR. ROBERT F. REEVES, Sept. 19, 2012.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,  
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8018. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, transmitting the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 as compiled by the Chief Administrative Officer, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 104a Public Law 88-454; (H. Doc. No. 112—144); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

8019. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting proposal for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Phase 1 project; (H. Doc. No. 112—145); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

8020. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Rulings Branch, Office of International Trade, Regulations and Rulings, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — United States-Columbia Trade Promotion Agreement [USCBP-2012-0017] (RIN: 1515-AD88) received September 20, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON  
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GOODLATTE: Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Representative Maxine Waters (Rept. 112-690). Referred to the House Calendar.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. GERLACH (for himself and Mr. NEAL):

H.R. 6559. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exception from the passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado:

H.R. 6560. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional advance refunding for certain tax-exempt bonds; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 6561. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to States to hire teachers and prevent layoffs, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make grants to hire firefighters and prevent layoffs, and to direct the Attorney General to make grants to hire law enforcement officers and prevent layoffs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 6562. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MARKEY:

H.R. 6563. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, the Budget, Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, the Judiciary, Science, Space, and Technology, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY  
STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. GERLACH:

H.R. 6559.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado:

H.R. 6560.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Sec. 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution

This states that "Congress shall have power to . . . regulate commerce with for-

eign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes." The power to regulate commerce among the several states is the power to define conditions and rules for commercial transactions, and the regulation of the prices and terms of sale. Amending regulations which govern the monetary policies municipalities may use for issuing bonds affects the ability of these municipalities to conduct business transactions with investors, and thus falls under the commerce clause.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 6561.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 6562.

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Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. MARKEY:

H.R. 6563.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8.

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 860: Mr. ELLISON and Mr. RUNYAN.

H.R. 2052: Mr. BRALEY of Iowa.

H.R. 2088: Mr. CLAY.

H.R. 2304: Mr. CRENSHAW.

H.R. 2492: Mr. ROSS of Florida.

H.R. 2866: Mr. CICILLINE.

H.R. 3423: Ms. GRANGER.

H.R. 3831: Mr. BISHOP of New York.

H.R. 4643: Ms. HANABUSA.

H.R. 5978: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 6043: Mr. PLATTS.

H.R. 6087: Mrs. DAVIS of California.

H.R. 6088: Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 6150: Mr. FILNER.

H.R. 6157: Ms. HIRONO, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, and Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 6357: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 6362: Mr. REICHERT.

H.R. 6385: Mr. DOYLE.

H.R. 6400: Mr. STARK.

H.R. 6416: Mr. BARLETTA.

H.R. 6439: Mr. OWENS and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.

H.R. 6446: Mr. NEAL.

H.R. 6489: Mr. SMITH of Texas.

H.R. 6494: Mr. ISRAEL.

H.R. 6527: Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.J. Res. 100: Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H. Res. 763: Mr. SCHOCK and Mr. RIVERA.

H. Res. 776: Mr. CHABOT.